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Anticipated Classification of this application:
Class: 463 Subclass

Prior application: 08/465/717 Examiner: J. Schaaf Art Unit: 3304

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending prior application Serial No. 08/465,717 filed on June 6, 1995, which is a divisional of Serial No. 08/322,172 filed on October 12, 1994, of inventors currently of record to prior application for COMPUTER NETWORK FOR CONTROLLING AND MONITORING GAMING DEVICES.

1. [x] Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application (original specification, claims and drawings), including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/465,717, and as originally filed on June 6, 1995, a divisional of Serial No. 08/322,172, filed on October 12, 1994, and further this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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- 2. [x] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 [] is enclosed [x] was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
- 3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

## CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee \$385.00
Total Claims Independent Claims Multiple Dependent	27 4 Claim Fee	- 20 - 3	7 1	x x x	\$ 11.00 \$ 40.00 \$260.00		\$ 40.00
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- \*(Reduction by one-half for filing by small entity.)
- 4. [x] Cancel in this application original claims 1-18 and 20-61 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- 5. [x] A check in the amount of \$502.00 (check no. 019976) is enclosed.
- 6. [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with the filing of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 13-1703. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 7. [x] Amend the specification by inserting at page 1, after the title, the sentence:

This is a [x] continuation of application Serial No. 08/465,717, filed June 6, 1995, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 08/322,172, filed October 12, 1994 A Pale of No. 3,655,961

- 8. [] Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by person authorized by Section 1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)
- 9. [x] Formal drawings are enclosed.
  - [] Informal drawings are enclosed.

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10.	[]	Priority of application Serial	No filed on in					
		(country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.						
	[]	The certified copy has been filed	The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No, iled,					
11.	[x]	The prior application is assigned of record to Acres Gaming, Inc						
12.	[x]	The power of attorney in the prior application is to:						
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	a.	[x] The power appears in the	ne original papers in the prior application.					
	b.	[] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.						

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- 13. [x] A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

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14. [] A preliminary amendment will be filed after notification of new Group Art Unit is received by applicant(s).

## 15. [x] Copies of forms PTO 1449 and 892 from the prior application are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

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